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Jeff Ottesen, Director
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Refer: Non-Metropolitan Local Official Consultation Process Comment Request.

Dear Mr. Ottesen:

I am writing to express our strong support of the proposed consultation process and truly appreciate the intent to create a method for more direct involvement by non-metropolitan areas in local transportation planning.

We fully appreciate the additional work this process will create for your department, but I think it will go along way towards minimizing confusion and engendering support at the local level.

On behalf of the Borough I would offer any assistance you may need in moving this proposal forward to implementation and thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Pat Carlson". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Pat Carlson, Manager
Kodiak Island Borough

Cc: Borough Mayor & Assembly